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TOPIC 1949 Industrial Report (I-1949) of the Ammendorf Electro-Chemical Plant

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A copy of the Monthly Report IM (Industrie Meldung) for January 1949 of the Alcid VVB (Z) Ammendorf (M 52/D 92) Electro-Chemical Plant dated 2 February 1949 is attached. The report also indicated the scheduled production for the entire year of 1949.

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Comment:

a. The plant is the former Buckag Chemical Plant. Ninety-five percent of the plant was owned by the Th. Goldschmidt Corporation in Essen (M 52/E41) up to 1945. After its expropriation in 1948 it was assigned as zonal plant to the Alcid VVB (Z) with the plant number 41/336/1000.

b. In 1939 the plant had the following production installations:

Alkali electrolysis for the production of alkali and caustic soda
Chlorine chambers and chlorine liquefaction installations converted into modern systems shortly before the war.

Plant-owned power station and connection with the Broebers (M 52/E 02) Power Plant.

Spur tracks.

c. The plant had the following prewar production:

Caustic potash lye, solid caustic potash, caustic soda lye, solid caustic soda, antichlor, "blanc fixe", bleaching lye, barium chloride, liquid chlorine, chloride of lime, chlorinated rubber, sulphur chloride, zinc chloride solid and liquid, ferric chloride chemically and technically pure, soda crystals, coal asphalt, coal tar, sodium carbonate, sodium hydrosulphide (solid and liquid), potash, hydrochloric acid, acidproof paints and insulating material, calcined soda, sodium sulphide, sulphuric acid, sulphate, sulphochloride, carbon tetrachloride (free of sulphur) hydrogen (compressed), zinc ammonium chloride.

The attached production report shows a considerably simplified production program but no basic changes.

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d. The products of the plant are mainly sold to the soap, textile, artificial silk, cellulose, paper, glass, leather and paint industries.

e. In addition to the reported factory there is the Julius Jacob Chemical Plant in Amendorf, the only plant of the Land Saxony-Anhalt producing carbon disulphide. The 1943 production amounted to 16,000 tons of carbon disulphide. According to a report received at the end of 1948 the plant could only utilize 85 percent of its production capacity due to the lack of suitable charcoal.

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